GERMAN CLAIM IS ABSURD

Allies' Shipping Losses Only Half of the Amount Stated

SUBMARINES ARE BEING WIPED OUT

Number Destroyed in Three Months Exceeded the Construction

Paris, Saturday, May 11.-The effec tiveness of the German submarine campaign is declining. The German government is aware of this fact, declared Georges Leygues, minister of marine, before the naval committee of the Chamber of Deputies to-day, but has made the greatest efforts to conceal it. He said the situation was most favorable and that the sinkings of submarines in the first three months of 1918 through allied Except in Certain Skilled Trades It is measures was greater than the number built by the enemy.

Minister Leygues referred to the statement made in the Reichstag on April 17 by Vice Admiral Von Capelle, German minister of marine, in which he said 600. States' first year in the world war, so 600 tons of allied shipping were sunk monthly. This figure, the minister said, general labor situation conducted by the was incorrect.

May and June of 1917. In July it de- reaus find there is no marked shortage clined and in November it fell below of labor, the chief problem at present 400,000 and since has diminished contin- being distribution. uously. The minister gave the following been greater than in previous years. This comparative table of the tonnage claimed is attributed to some extent to unusual to have been destroyed by Germany and opportunities for individual betterment the tonnage actually lost in the past five offered by plants working on war con-Claimed by Actual

Month.	Germany.	Losses.	
	(Tons.)		
December	702,000	386,277	
January	632,000	302,459	
February	689,000	332,522	
March	680,000	358,660	
April		268,704	
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said that in February. M. Leygues said that in February, March and April 3,723 French steamers and 788 French sailing vessels passed of bundreds of thousands of workers reg-through the dunger zone, where a few istering with the public service reserve, months ago losses by torpedoing had been very heavy. Not a single ship was for shipbullding.

A system of daily surveys shows the

On the other hand, he said, the number of submarines destroyed had increased progressively since January in such proportion that the effectiveness of enemy squadrons cannot be maintained at the minimum required by the regulations. The number of enemy U-boats destroyed in January, February and March was far greater in each month than the number constructed in the same months. In February and April the number of submarines destroyed was three less than the with the supply, except in a few trades total destroyed in the previous three Positions were found for nearly all the

months.

These results, the minister declared, were due to the methodical character of to be about normal. Only in a few isothe war against submarines; to the close lated cases have they replaced men called co-ordination of the allied navies; to the to the colors. A few plants engaged on intrepidity and spirit animating the offi- war contracts have employed large numcers and crews of naval and aerial squad-rons and to the intensification of the use Many women teachers are said to be of old methods and the employment of leaving the school room for more remunew ones.

THE DAY.

By Juliet Wilbor Tompkins of The Vigilantes.

It will come some day-do you realize it? On some one glorious day the enemy will cry "Kamarad!" in good earnest, and there will be peace. The scarcity of teachers. In Montana the people of the city are greatly interested. To commend those who are takand there will be peace.

the Red Cross rooms are humming with ware, Mississippi, Alabama, New Mexiwork, the thousand war activities are grinding at full speed, every mother and father is facing the morning with a heart braced for loss, every loval citizen is at his post of service; and suddenly—the news!

The crowded avenues turn white; all up and down their length they have blossomed white with the open newspapers that have magically sprung into

papers that have magically sprung into eryone's outstretched hands. Everybody in the long, stopped stream of hu clasp, strange eyes, meeting, overflow; and there is just one first thought, not triumph, nor democracy, but—"Those boys—those good boys—they can come And the second thought will be

"We've done it! We've put it through! And then, standing there, they begin to sing, the men with bared heads; they send up such a song as the skies have never heard since time was—"Glory, glory, hallelujah!"—"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!" The melting pot is a slow process—that song will melt all into blood brothers at the first chord. Oh, how they will sing, those standing men and women! And then when man has been granted the supreme boon, he must fall on his knees, whether

off for four more bleeding years? When you buy the thing you most want, you are not conscious of sacrifice in paying the sum demanded. Fix your eyes farm labor. on the day—the day when the avenues will suddenly blossom white with the ment bureau is a department organized news of peace—and you will want that to aid crippled soldiers returning from come running with its price.





Skin trouble costs many a man his job

No matter how efficient a man may be, if he has an ugly skin-eruption, there are positions in which he cannot be tolerated. He may know that it is not in the least contagious, but other people are afraid, they avoid him, and he must make way for a man with a clear, healthy skin. Why run this risk, when

Ointment and Resinol Soap stop itching and clear away eczema and similar bumors, so quickly and easily?

NATIONAL MAN-POWER NOT YET DEPLETED

Found That There is No Marked Shortage of Labor.

Chicago, May 13.—The nation's industrial manpower has not suffered serious depletion as a result of the United inited States employment service and It was reached and passed in April, cept in certain skilled trades these bu-

The labor turnover so far this year has tracts.

On an average 100,000 persons are obtaining employment through the Chicago district office of the federal bureau as compared with a total of 495,000 during the last fiscal year. This huge increase is accounted for by the recent reorganization of the bureau for service as the national machinery for the mobilization and distribution of the country's labor. As such it has handled the applications

bureau where the greatest shortage or surplus exist and with this information it is able to make economic distribution. Manufacturers are being urged to

At the state employment bureau 6,000 persons sought work in March and there too the demand is in about equal balance

nerative employment, and the draft has drawn so heavily upon the already scant made to assure proper steps to remed supply of men teachers that several any deficiencies which exist at present. states report the situation alarming for next year. A survey of thirty-seven states just completed by the profession-al service division of the federal bureau shows that during the present school year West Virginia was forced to close Picture that day. The crowds in the were closed for the same reason, while streets are going about their business. New Hampshire, North Carolina, Delaand Wyoming about two dozen schools

To cope with what is expected to be ar unprecedented railroad labor shortage later in the year, a new department of manity holds a newspaper or reads his has been organized to handle railroad the United States employment service neighbor's; everybody; knows everybody, has been organized neighbor's; everybody; strange hands by order of Director-General McAdoo the By order of Director-General McAdoo the railroads have abolished their labor bureaus and the government agency will recruit their men as well as direct the distribution. In event of an acute shortage of workers in maintenance of way departments, it is planned to suspend work not absolutely necessary and send men from these locations to points where they are more urgently needed. A great number of laborers are said to have left the roads because of the higher wages

they can obtain in mines or factories. So far the farmers of the central west and northwest have had little difficulty in finding enough help. Most of them with one impulse they will surge into demand experienced hands but are being the churches, into the cathedrals—for more men from the public service re serve, which consists for the most part he knows God or not. And no one who of students. In a few western states the rience. Every other community ought to rises up from that silence will ever lose harvest labor question is being taken up by communities, each community mobilizing emergency workers to help nearhave it to morrow? Or will you put it off for four more blood will you put it. It is the Kansas winter wheat harvest and in your hands. Every effort, every dollar, you give to service, shortens the waiting. If all gave all they could, the day could not hold back another hour. Kansas harvest is over. These men, with the hands available from the public serv ice reserve, are expected to furnish ample

An innovation in the federal employ with so burning an urgency that you will the war. The committee for the handicapped, a private organization, has just been merged with the service. It will list positions disabled men can fill and help them re-establish themselves in civil

ON RETIRED PAY.

Press.

The army council having considered the explanations tendered by Major Gentional remedy for weak, nervous, run

eral Maurice of a breach of regulations down conditions of men, women and chilcommitted by him in writing and causing dren. Your money will be returned if it to be published a letter which appeared does not help you. in the press on the 7th inst., have decided Red Cross Pharmacy, Floyd G. Russell, that he he placed forthwith on retired Prop., and at the best drug store in ev-

HINDENBURG REPORTED DEAD

All the Germans Captured in France Tell Such a Story

VON MACKENSEN NEXT GREAT MAN

London Newspaper Ascribes Story as Excuse for German Failure

London, May 13 .- All Germans captured in France say that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg is dead, letters from British officers on the western front report, according to the Daily Express. At the same time the name of General Von Mackensen is brought into prominence as that of the great man who is to bring the Germans victory. The Express assumes that the Hindenburg story is circulated to explain the failure of the great offensive.

TAKING OUT THE "JUNK."

By George E. Bowen of The Vigilantes

"Military necessity" has made juniout of a good bit of civilization. There's a larger, more imperative "ne essity" than the Prussion one-and b cause of it. It has to do with taking the "junk"

ut of junkerism. Just as we are doing

It must be a clean job.

Meeting the demon of destruction with the service of extermination.

Being careful not to allow the "junk' taken out of the old system to be re-placed by the "bunk" of another as bad or worse

The old firm of "Bunk and Junk" has had its day. Human necessity has forced it into so

cial and political bankruptcy, where it must assign all its abused opportunities and exploited assets to the new democ-'We are to "junk" the junker for good and all and everywhere-for all time. He can't be allowed to bob up in any

land after the surgeons of civilization have taken out his main works. It is going to be a severe operation. As bad as going "over the top" to perorm it.

We must all help. We all are going to. It won't be a free clinic.

Nothing like it. Beside the blood and waste and enguish, mostly it will be cost, expense debt, bonds, interest, interest and more mostly it will be cost, expense,

Enough to keep us busy. And attentive. And determined. So here's for the heroic remedy: Unjunking the junker. With the dollars of democracy. With devotion unto death. With the "Will to Win." For a world redeemed from "Bunk and

Lesson to Be Heeded.

"Proper fire protection is a live quessubject is occupying the attention of add two tablespoons of drippings an "Fault finding or condemnation of anything which has happened in the past is

not necessary. The demand is for constructive action which shall make al well for the future. "But it is well to remember that the

ing steps to improve conditions and put Burlington in the front rank of cities where it belongs, but also to assure those concerned that inadequate answer to the growing demand will not be tolerated. "The demand is real and the demand will persist until a satisfactory result is achieved."—Burlington News. It is a pity that it often requires a

calamity to awaken a community to its vital needs. From what The Messenger learns, from sources it has reason to beheve are well informed, the destruction of the Vermont chocolate company plant, whatever the original cause of the explosion, can be attributed in some considerable degree to inadequate fire protection. The News displays a splendid spirit in saying that fault finding or condemnation of what is past is not neces-

sary. It seeks constructive action. The Messenger believes that it would be the part of wisdom for every town and city in Vermont to undertake a careful investigation of its fire protection resources. Right here in St. Albans it would be well to investigate the water pressure we have, to determine whether in case of a serious fire we would find ourselves with an adequate pressure.

One of the first essentials in a com-

munity which hopes to attract, or even to keep, business concerns, is adequate facilities with which to fight fire. these are lacking, then manufacturers will be loath to invest their money in such communities. Burlington probably will seek to profit from its recent expe profit by Burlington's example. wait until disaster forces their hands when action now would prevent a dis-

THIS WEAK, NERVOUS WOMAN TOOK VINOL

It Made Her Strong and Well

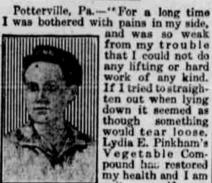
Barneveld, Wis .- "I was in a weak, ervous, run-down, anemic condition, so General Maurice Retired for Attacks in was recommended, and it made me well that my housework was a borden. Vinol and strong. It is certainly the best tonic London, May 13.-The war office has and strength creator I have ever taken." -Mrs. John Lewis.

Vinol is a cod liver and iron constitu-

ery town and city in the country .- Adv.

SICK WOMAN

Took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Read Her Letter.



from my trouble that I could not do any lifting or hard work of any kind.
If I tried to straighten out when lying down it seemed as though something would tear loose. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored my health and I am quite myself once

more."-Miss HAZEL CHUBBUCK, Potterville, Penn.
Thousands of women drag along from day to day in just such a miserable con-dition as was Mrs. Chubbuck, or suffer-

ing from displacements, irregularities, inflammation, ulceration, backache, side-ache, headache, nervousness, or "the blues." Such women should profit by Mrs. Chubbuck's experience and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and find relief from their sufferings as she

For special suggestions in regard to your ailment write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of its long experience is at your service.

Topics of the Home and Household.

Whan hanging clothes on the line on : windy day try putting fine handker-chiefs, collars, etc., into a pillow-case and hang the case by the top. They will dry quite well and it will save a good deal of wear on them.

Sprinkle clothes lightly, wrap in Turkish towel and place on top of hot radiator, the heat from which will cause he moistened clothes to steam and prevents wrinkling. In fifteen minutes the clothes will be ready and unsually easy to iron.

Three Pinto Bean Luncheons.

Did you ever hear of Buffalo Bill's pinto ponies? The pinto bean is the pony's namesake. We can't all have ponies but everybody can have pinto beans for we have a large crop of them this year and they are much cheaper than ordinary beans. The Unit ed States food administration is urging the use of the pinto bean Luncheon 1.—Mexican frijoles, scal

loped tomatoes, brown bread, fruit, Luncheon 2.—Hopping John, plain bar-

ley cake, orange marmalade.

Luncheon 3.—Pinto bean loaf with tomato sauce, baked potatoes, apricot pie-(oatmeal erust).

Wash a pint of pinto beans, put them in a large pot, cover with cold water and bring to a boil slowly. Pour off the water, cover with cold water, boil again ion in Burlington to-day. That the and repeat this twice. The last time business men and civic authorities alike boil until the beans are tender. Remove is best guarantee that provision will be to a large casserole, or bean pot, season made to assure proper steps to remedy well with sait, and add two or three green peppers broken up. Cover for an inch with the bean water and simmer in the oven, or on top of the stove for several hours, stirring frequently to break the beans slightly so as to thicken the gravy, adding a little boiling water if necessary. A few minutes before serving, sprinkle with grated cheese and

brown in the oven. Hopping John.

For this recipe use two cups of beans and one cup of rice; boil the two separately until both are nearly done; tu n the two together, season with a tablespoon of salt, and complete the cook-

Plain Barley Cake.

One-fourth cup fat, % cup glucose, egg, well beaten, 2-3 cup milk or water, 2 cups barley flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder. 1/4 tenspoon salt, I cup raisins. Cream the fat, add the gluscose and cream together. Add beaten egg and milk. Add the sifted dry ingredients and the raisins. Pour into a shallow greased pan and bake about 20 minutes.

Pinto Bean Loaf.

One pint cold (cooked) pinto beans, 1 egg, well beaten, I cup bread crumbs, I ablespoon finely chopped onion, 2 table spoons tomato soup. Salt and pepper to taste. Combine ingredients and shape into loaf and base 25 minutes. Dorothy Dexter.

POTATOES WON'T MAKE YOU FAT

If you are doing your bit, do not fear for your figure. Eat well and Potatoes won't make you fat. They supply energy for your war work. Use up the energy as fast as you can, and do not

Write the United States department of agriculture for new potato

MILLIONS TAKE ONLY CASCARETS

Best, Safest Laxative for Liver and Bowels, and People Know It

Headachy or Consti-

WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

pated mfield Brighton ... Brunswick East Haven ...

DANVILLE LEADS WHOLE STATE

In Purchase of U. S. Thrift Stamps Up to April

HAS PER CAPITA OF \$6.22 SO FAR

Only Three Counties Are Above Two-Dollar Mark

The Third Liberty Loan Campaign is most successfully completed and it is now of the utmost importance that Vermonters should buy or pledge themselves to buy War Savings Stamps in an amount sufficient to put our quota over the top.

Our net sales for the week ending April 27, 1918, show an increase of only eleven cents per capita for the

The Government is relying on the avails of these Stamps for the sum of two billion dollars, or twenty dollars per capita for every man, woman and child, before December 31, 1918 and it is perfectly obvious that with a per capita sale at this time of \$1.57 we have got to speed up our sales and pledges vastly.

We ask county and local chairmen, postmasters, bankers, War Savings Societies, Schools, Women's Clubs. Boy Scouts and all others to examine the attached figures carefully and note how we are lagging in the campaign and then resolve to get busy and SELL STAMPS.

Three counties, viz. Rutland, Caledonia and Washington, have sales of over two dollars per capita but the rest of the state is falling far behind

Danville again sets the pace for the towns and cities having over the six dollar mark, followed by Wallingford, Montpelier, Pawlet and Lyndon in the order named.

Postmasters should take notice that the Red Postcards used Boy Scouts should be sent to the National Headquarters of the Boy Scouts of America, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, where they are credited to the different Boy Scouts who sell the stamps and are used as a basis for furnishing these Boy Scouts with Achievement Buttons and Ace Medals.

		H. L. FARWELL,		
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e		Total sales		- Per Capita
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ě	*Cornwall	20.00	789	
	Lottingark	97.77	1.433	.07
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	Hancock	189.56	479	.03
t	Leicester	769.25	980	.78
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ſ	New Haven	641.81	1,161	.55
ũ	Orwell	1,275.48	1,065	1.20
ı	Panton		245	
٠.	Ripton	487.55	421	1.16
	Salisbury	145.62	693	.21
	Shoreham	194.19	1,098	.18
	Starksboro	312.24	835	.87
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So. Burlington *St. George They're Fine! Don't Stay Bilious, Sick, 674.11 133.94 890.24 Underhill Westford Williston67 .16 .39 Total\$ 18,720.23 42,447 \$.51 ESSEX COUNTY. Total Popula-741.05 \$.87 1.55 .74 .74 .26 .62 802.32 143.47 24.45 11.74 \$12,79 1.04

1,214 \$.55

Total \$ 4,514.76

FRANKLIN COUNTY. Georgia
Highgate
Montgomery
Richford
Sheldon
St. Albans city
St. Al'ns town
Swanton Total \$ 24,451.84 29,866 GRAND ISLE COUNTY. Total sales. Popula-1,311 1,032.71 Total\$ 2,584.67 3,761 LAMOILLE COUNTY. Popula-

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Total Bradford Braintree Brookfield \$1,372 1,290.78 438 2,035 644 8,191 776 1,182 918 918 448 762 446 1,726 Orange Randolph Strafford Total\$ 23,616.35

ORLEANS COUNTY. Total sales. Popula-tion. Albany*
Barton*
*Brownington Charleston ...
Coventry
Craftsbury ...
Derby
Glover 18,80 8,412.28

Holland frasburg 361.94 Jay Lowell ... Morgan Newport Total \$ 22,951.36 23,337 \$.98

RUTLAND COUNTY Total Castleton 72.20 571.68 120.62 5,050.00 hittenden . larendon *Menden Mid't'wn Sp'gs Mt. Holly *Mt. Tabor Pawlet Pittsfield Pittsford Poultney Proctor Rutland City Rutland Town Sherburne

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Newfane
Putney
Rockingham
Somerset
Stratton
Townshend
Vernon 19,313.11 3.64 499.68 193.62 157.90 634.74 38.48 1,727.39 213.61 Vernon Wardsboro ... Westminster . Whitingham . Wilmington ...

Total \$ 90,891.04

Total\$ 40,100.36 26,932 WINDSOR COUNTY. Popula-*Baltimore ... Barnard Bethel 12.76 284 Bridgewater ... Cavendish

Sharon Springfield ... Stockbridge ... Wenthersfield 0.00 Weston West Windsor Windsor Woodstock ... 4,411.65 8,502.72 Total\$ 50,215.96 \$3.681 \$1.49 for State ... \$359.907.10 355.555 \$1.57 *No Postoffice. Grand Total

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No Danger. "I see Gadson and Dubwaite comparing watches. They'll be quarreling in a moment.'

"I think not." "But they are sure to have an argument over the merits of their respective timepieces."

"You are entirely wrong. Both have tin watches and both are blessed with a sense of humor."

AFTERWARDS

By CLARISSA MACKIE.

Miss Electa Dayton came down the wide stairway and paused for an instant in the front door. She made a very beautiful picture. The fact that her abundant hair was snowy white did not detract from her beauty, for her coloring was delicately pink and her soft eyes as black and expressive as they had been in her girlish days of perhaps, twenty years past.

Electa looked through the wirescreened door into the garden with its prim rows of boxwood, smelling warm and pungent after the light shower of rain. She smiled a little sadly and turned away into the cool parlor.

"It was on an afternoon like this that he went away," she murmured wistfully.

It was a very restful room, with a faded Turkey carpet on the floor and old mahogany furniture scattered in comfortable confusion.

"I get tired of waiting sometimes," she murmured to herself, "but he said he would come back some day, and I know he is not dead." For twenty years she had been wait-

ing for the return of this adventurous lover of hers. He had fared forth to seek his fortune and five years afterward his letters had suddenly ceased. Since then Electa had heard no word from him nor of him. Her parents had died firm in the belief that Robin Gaines had deliberately dropped out of their daughter's life, and they begged Electa to forget him and marry an-

"He will come back some day," she said with the faith that only a woman can hold.

Perhaps it was this belief in his return that kept her from growing old. Now, she was more beautiful than she had ever been as a girl.

A handsome touring car rolled away from the village hotel and turned down a pleasant elm-shaded street. Beside the chauffeur sat a middle-aged man of distinguished bearing with a pair of bright blue eyes set in a bronzed countenance.

He glanced at the pleasant village homes set in the midst of the green lawns and flower beds, and all at once his gaze contracted as though he had been suddenly reminded of something. At a word from him the machine stopped.

"What place is this?" he asked of the chauffeur. "Stonedge, sir."

"By Jove-Stonedge!" The man looked up and down the street, surveying the houses with a new interest in his fine eyes. Old memories appeared to be struggling for recognition, for his face changed rapidly. "I used to live here, Peter," he said

to the man. "Yes, sir." "My father was rector of the church and I lived in that little brick house adjoining the church-see it there half hidden by ivy?-for five years.

Jove! I had forgotten all about Stonedge-haven't thought about it for years." "It's a pretty place, Mr. Gaines." "Mighty pretty, Peter. Drive slowly till you come to the corner and then

turn to your right along the river As the car moved noiselessly along, Robert Gaines scanned the houses with questioning eyes. He looked a little sadly at the village that had harbored a few years of his happy youth. Now, he was no longer happy-he had drunk his fill of adventuring and travel and now, in middle age, he had come back to his own land to feel himself a stran-

ger there. The river road brought back another memory. With the sight of the long, low, red roof that had sheltered Electa Dayton came a queer pang of remorse. He had forgotten Electa until today. Fifteen years ago he had written her a letter in which he had told her not to wait for him, as he had failed in his quest for a fortune-it was the day he

had lost everything. She had never replied and he had put her out of his mind and, full of the spirit of adventure, he had forgotten her. He had never cared for any

Peter had stopped the car in front of Electa's gate. Robin looked wistfully through the

mist of green leaves. He wondered if Electa was alive-if she was married? Perhaps that little lad pixying in the street was Electa's boy! He leaned from the car and spoke to the child. "Who lives in that house?" he

"Miss Dayton," was the child's start-"Miss who?" asked Robin, almost

barshly. "Miss 'Lecta Dayton," answered the boy, and he sped joyously away with the silver coin Robin tossed to him.

"Walt for me, Peter. I'm going inside to see an old friend," directed Robin, and he left the car and entered the garden. When his foot grated on the front

plazza Miss Electa came to the front For a brief instant they looked at each other through the screen door.

"Electa!" he said hoarsely. "Robin!" she cried joyfully. "I knew you would come back some day !" Peter, in the automobile, saw his

master kissing a beautiful whitehaired woman. Optimistic Thought, Reform is good for the state as well

as for the people

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